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MARYLAND GAZETTE,

Containing the freſheſt Advices foreign and domeſtic.

THURSDAY, *February* 19, 1756.

The humble ADDRESS of the Right Honourable the LORDS Spiritual and Temporal in PARLIAMENT aſſembled.

Die Jovis, 13mo Novembris, 1755.

Moſt Gracious SOVEREIGN,

WE, your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Lords ſpiritual and temporal, in Parliament aſſembled, humbly beg Leave to return your Majeſty our unfeigned Thanks for your moſt gracious Speech from the Throne.

Your Majeſty's paternal Regard for the Welfare and Proſperity of your People, which has been ſo conſpicuous on all Occaſions, has, in this critical Conjuncture, being demonſtrated by your Majeſty's earneſt Deſire to preſerve them from the Calamities of War, and by your Royal Firmneſs, in not yielding to any Terms of Accommodation that were not reaſonable and honourable.

When we conſider the high Importance of the Britiſh Poſſeſſions and Rights in America, to the Commerce and Well-being of theſe Kingdoms, we cannot but reflect with Concern, as well as Reſentment, that, in a Time of full Peace, and contrary to the Faith of the moſt ſolemn Treaties, ſo many Encroachments ſhould have been committed on the Part of France. Nothing can exceed our Surprize at ſuch a Conduct, but our Gratitude to your Majeſty, for ſo powerfully exerting your Royal Care to protect your Colonies from ſuch Invaſions and Inſults, and redreſs thoſe Encroachments, which have been ſo unjuſtly made.

If any Power could be ſo much miſtaken, as to imagine that your Majeſty, or your Parliament, would remain unactive Spectators of ſuch unprovoked Hoſtilities, they muſt before now have been convinced of their Error.

We thankfully acknowledge your Majeſty's Wiſdom and Goodneſs, in encreaſing your Marine Armaments with ſo great Application and Expedition, and in augmenting your Land Forces with ſo much Regard to the Eaſe of your People, whilſt you were providing for their Safety; and in having, at the ſame Time, generouſly given Encouragement to that great Body of your Majeſty's brave and faithful Subjects, with which your American Provinces happily abound, to exert their Strength on this important Occaſion, as their Duty, Intereſt, and common Danger oblige, and ſtrongly call upon them to do.

Your Majeſty has ſufficiently ſhewn, that no Motives of Ambition, or of fomenting new Troubles, have been the Grounds of your Conduct. Your Prudence and Magnanimity have been manifeſted to all the World, by your evident Diſpoſition to prevent a general War from breaking out in Europe, and by confining your Views and Operations to thoſe ſalutary and neceſſary Ends, which your Majeſty has been graciouſly pleaſed to declare to us.

It is with Pleaſure we obſerve the pacific Declarations of his Catholic Majeſty, which are ſo agreeable to the Amity and good Correſpondence ſubſiſting between the two Crowns, and to the general Welfare of Europe.

We ſhould fall ſhort of that Duty which we owe to your Majeſty and our Country, if we did not, with the greateſt Sincerity and Chearfulneſs, promiſe your Majeſty our moſt zealous and vigorous Concurrence and Aſſiſtance in this juſt and national Cauſe. Nothing ſhall be wanting, on our Part, to make ſure thoſe ſolemn Aſſurances which were given to your Majeſty by your Parliament in their laſt Seſſion. We look upon ourſelves as obliged by the ſtrongeſt Ties of Duty, Gratitude, and Honour, to ſtand by and ſupport your Majeſty in all ſuch wiſe and neceſſary Meaſures and Engagements, as your Majeſty may have taken in Vindication of the Rights of your Crown; or to defeat any Attempt which may be made by France, in Reſentment for ſuch Meaſures; and to aſſiſt your Majeſty in diſappointing or repelling all ſuch Enterprizes as may be formed, not only againſt your Kingdoms, but alſo againſt any other of your Dominions, although not belonging to the Crown of Great-Britain, in Caſe they ſhould be attacked on Account of the Part which your Majeſty has taken for maintaining the eſſential Intereſts of your Kingdoms.

Animated with theſe great and intereſting Conſiderations, we beg Leave, from the Bottom of our Hearts, to aſſure your Majeſty of our inviolable Duty and Affection to your ſacred Perſon; and that we look upon the Preſervation of your Majeſty's Government, and of the Proteſtant Succeſſion in your Royal-Houſe, as the only Security, under GOD, of our Religion and Liberties. If there are any who have vainly flattered themſelves, that menacing Appearances or Preparations could deter us from faithfully and vigorouſly acting up to theſe Principles, our unſhaken Conduct ſhall demonſtrate how much they have been deceived; and that, though we are far from deſiring to injure or moleſt any of our Neighbours, we are ready to ſacrifice our Lives and Fortunes in the Defence of your Majeſty, and of the Poſſeſſions, Commerce, and juſt Rights of Great-Britain.

His MAJESTY's moſt Gracious ANSWER.

"*My LORDS,*

"I GIVE you my hearty Thanks for this very dutiful and affectionate Addreſs. I "ſee, with the greateſt Satisfaction, the Zeal you "expreſs for my Perſon and Government, and for "the true Intereſt of your Country, which I am "determined to adhere to. The Aſſurances you "give me for the Defence of my Territories "abroad, are a ſtrong Proof of your Affection "to me, and a Regard for my Honour. No"thing ſhall divert me from purſuing thoſe Mea"ſures, which may effectually maintain the Poſ"ſeſſions and Rights of my Kingdoms, and "procure reaſonable and honourable Terms of "Accommodation."

The humble ADDRESS of the Houſe of COMMONS to the KING.

Moſt Gracious SOVEREIGN,

WE your Majeſty's moſt dutiful and loyal Subjects, the Commons of Great-Britain, in Parliament aſſembled, beg Leave to return your Majeſty our humble Thanks for your moſt gracious Speech from the Throne; and to congratulate your Majeſty upon your ſafe and happy Return into theſe Kingdoms.

With Hearts full of Gratitude we offer to your Majeſty our dutiful Acknowledgments for your paternal Care and Endeavours to preſerve to your People, the Bleſſings of Peace; and when Terms conſiſtent with the true Intereſt of this Kingdom could not be obtained, for the great Expedition, with which your Majeſty cauſed your Naval Force to be got ready; and the Magnanimity and Reſolution your Majeſty has ſhewn, at the Hazard of all Events, to defend the Britiſh Dominions in America, not only encroached upon, but openly attacked, by the French, in a Time of full Peace, and further threatened and endangered by a large Embarkation of Troops from Europe.

We are truly ſenſible of your Majeſty's great Wiſdom and Moderation, in being deſirous, though ſo highly provoked, to liſten to a reaſonable Accommodation; and in endeavouring to avoid the Calamities of a general War, by confining your Operations to Meaſures neceſſary for Defence; a Conduct, which muſt demonſtrate to the other Powers of Europe, the Uprightneſs of your Majeſty's Intentions, and convince them, that your Majeſty is not the Aggreſſor.

The King of Spain's generous Concern for the common Welfare of Europe and the Aſſurances he has given your Majeſty of his Deſire to preſerve the public Tranquility, give us the greateſt Satisfaction.

We beg Leave to aſſure your Majeſty, that your dutiful and faithful Commons will vigorouſly and chearfully ſupport your Majeſty in all ſuch wiſe and neceſſary Meaſures and Engagements, as your Majeſty may have taken, to vindicate the juſt Rights and Poſſeſſions of the Crown, and to guard againſt any Attempts which France may make, on Account of your Majeſty's not having ſubmitted to her unjuſtifiable Encroachments; and that we think ourſelves bound in Juſtice and Gratitude to aſſiſt your Majeſty againſt any Inſults and Attacks, that may be made upon any of your Majeſty's Dominions, though not belonging to the Crown of Great-Britain, in Reſentment of the Part your Majeſty has taken in a Cauſe, wherein the Intereſts of this Kingdom are immediately, and ſo eſſentially concerned.

We are humbly thankful to your Majeſty, for your tender Care, in directing the neceſſary Augmentation of your Land Forces to be made in the Manner the leaſt burthenſome to your People.

We aſſure your Majeſty, that your faithful Commons will grant your Majeſty ſuch Supplies as ſhall be found neceſſary in this great Conjuncture; and that we will, in all our Deliberations, manifeſt to the World, that we have ſincerely at Heart the Honour of our King, the Support of his Government, and the true Intereſt of this Country.

LONDON, *November* 15.

THE Houſe of Peers ſat 'til Seven o'Clock on Thurſday, and the Houſe of Commons 'til Five o'Clock Yeſterday Morning.

There were 400 Members in the Houſe of Commons that Day.

This Day a Court of Aldermen was held at Guild-hall, in Conſequence of a Letter which the Right Hon. the Lord Mayor has received from one of his Majeſty's Principal Secretaries of State.

A Court of Common Council is to be called next Tueſday, in Order to conſider of a Petition to Parliament for putting the Militia throughout the Kingdom on a proper Footing.

The Bontems, from Gaſpie for Bourdeaux, and the Jeune Pierre, from Gaſpie for St. Malo's, are ſent into Portſmouth by the Colcheſter Man of War.

November 18. We are credibly informed that the Merchants of France have preſented to their Monarch a Petition, ſetting forth that the great Number of their Ships taken by the Engliſh had reduced them to the Brink of a general Bankruptcy; and humbly praying ſuch Relief as to his Majeſty in his great Goodneſs ſhould ſeem moſt meet: That is, in other Words, begging Peace for GOD's Sake: To which the King made Anſwer, That he was extremely ſenſible of their Hardſhips, but deſired them to have Patience a little longer till the Meeting of the Britiſh Parliament, for that there were ſuch Diſſentions among the Members thereof, as would enable him to make them (the Merchants) a ſpeedy and ample Amends. Voltaire tells us (Siecle de Louis xiv. cap. 17) that the French King ſent over to England 250,000 l. Sterling, in Order to engage a Party to oppoſe King William's engaging in a War againſt France, at the Death of Charles the IId. of Spain, to procure ſufficient Security to the King of England and the States General for the Navigation and Commerce of their Subjects, and to prevent an Union of the two Monarchies of France and Spain; and that even after the Quadruple

druple Alliance was ſigned, his Moſt Chriſtian Majeſty, truſting to the Diviſions which his Money would raiſe in England, deſpiſed his Enemies. ——" As the ſame Arts have perhaps been tried now, what Satisfaction muſt the Addreſs of the two Houſes give to every honeſt Briton!"

His Majeſty's Ship the Orford, Capt. Stevens, of 70 Guns, (one of Admiral Weſt's Squadron) fell in with the L'Eſperance a French Man of War of 74 Guns in the Bay of Biſcay, and fought fairly Ship to Ship for nigh three Hours, when Capt. Stevens finding his Rigging ſo mangled as to be unable to tack about, he laid by to repair, and then begun a ſecond Attack, which laſted near two Hours, when he found the Frenchman very tardy in firing, and expected them to ſtrike every Moment. However, finding his Rigging in the ſame or worſe Condition than before, occaſioned by their Double Chain Shot, he lay by a ſecond Time to mend it. In the mean Time Admiral Weſt came up, when the French, proud when an Opportunity offers of ſtriking to a Flag, immediately paid him the Compliment. Capt. Stevens does them the Juſtice to ſay, they fought the Ship very well. The L'Eſperance was the laſt Ship the French had in North-America, of which they had really ſanguine Hopes, as ſhe was quite in fighting Order, in thorough Repair, and had 500 picked Men on Board. The Numbers killed were 12 on Board the Orford, and 26 on Board the L'Eſperance.

Extract of a Letter from Kinſale, November 2.

" Yeſterday in the Afternoon, when the Tide had Ebb'd ſome Time, it ſuddenly returned with a Violence and Impetuoſity, impoſſible to deſcribe. A Sloop of 60 Tons, which lay at an Anchor in a Creek, ſecure, even if a Hurricane blew, was torn away from her Moorings, and two new Cables broke like two Threads, by Force of the Current (for a Breath of Wind did not blow) and drove aſhore in a Moment: The Fiſhing Boats were whirled about like ſo many Corks, and with a Motion quick as the Fly of a Jack. By a ſpecial Providence the Boats were juſt returned from Sea, with the Sailors on board, or they would have been all daſhed to Pieces againſt each other; thoſe that were empty, and had no People to manage them, ſunk directly in the Eddy Water as in a Whirlpool. Some others were drove with great Violence on the Land, where they muſt remain until got off by great Labour. Theſe ſudden and ſurprizing Fluxes and Refluxes of the Sea continued from Three in the Afternoon till Ten at Night, ſeldom more than a Quarter of an Hour between each Return, to the infinite Amazement and Terror of the Inhabitants, who feared Doomſday was at Hand. The Waters did not riſe gradually, but, with a hollow and horrid Noiſe, ruſhed in like a Deluge, and roſe ſix or ſeven Feet in a Minute, and as ſuddenly ſubſided. It was as thick as Puddle, very black, and ſtunk inſupportably. We hear that ſome Shocks of an Earthquake were felt Yeſterday at Cork, and poſſibly this ſurprizing Phænomenon may proceed from ſuch Cauſe at the Bottom of the Sea."

Extract of a private Letter from Leyden, Nov. 4

" *On Saturday laſt, in the Forenoon, a moſt extraordinary and apparently inexplicable Phænomenon alarmed the ſeveral Cities in this Province: The Water in the ſeveral Rivers, Canals, Lakes, &c. being agitated to ſuch a violent Degree, that in different Places, as at Woubrugge, Alphen, Boſhoop, and Rotterdam, Buoys were broken from their Chains, large Veſſels ſnapped their Cables, and ſmaller ones were thrown out of the Water on the Land, and others lying on the Land were, by the ſudden Inundation, ſet afloat; and in the Lake of Harlem particularly, the Courſe of a Veſſel on full Sail was ſuddenly ſuſpended, and the Rudder unhung. Several Conjectures have ſince ariſen concerning the Cauſe of theſe very peculiar Circumſtances which appear the more extraordinary, as no Motion on Land of Houſes or other Buildings was any where ſenſibly felt by the People therein; ſo that the vulgar Opinion of theſe Circumſtances being the Conſequence of an Earthquake is highly improbable, eſpecially as the pretended Appearance of the Motion of ſeveral Weathercocks on the Churches was peculiar to the Spectators on the Water, which, with the following Particulars, is judged by the Curious in Phyſicks extremely remarkable: During the Time of this Agitation, which continued near four Minutes, not only the Water in the Rivers and Lakes, but alſo all manner of Fluids in ſmaller Quantities, as in Coolers, Tubs, Baths, &c. equally agitated, daſhed over the Sides, notwithſtanding no Motion was perceptible in their containing Veſſels. In ſuch ſmall Quantities alſo the Surface of the Water had apparently a direct Aſcent, prior to its turbulent Motion, and in many Places, even the Rivers and Canals, roſe twelve Inches perpendicularly. It is aſſerted alſo from Amſterdam, that during this Interval the Mercury in the Barometer, which about this Time was uncommonly high, deſcended inſtantly near two Inches, and made ſeveral conſequent Vibrations, to the great Aſtoniſhment of the Obſervers.*"

Extract of a private Letter from Amſterdam, November 7.

" *The late very extraordinary Agitation of the Water felt in this Province, we are informed, extended beyond Utrecht, and alſo Southward to Brabant, where, in the Diſtrict of Hertzogenboſch, in particular, it laſted Half an Hour; occaſioning Wrecks of Veſſels long ſince ſunk, to riſe to the Surface, and float for ſeveral Minutes, notwithſtanding there was not the leaſt Wind, nor any Motion diſcovered in the Land, in all or any of the Places where this Phænomenon was ſeen.*"

November 13. At the Court End of the Town, People long to know what will be done with the French Ships; and are full of it, that the Parliament will go directly on Ways and Means for raiſing the neceſſary Supplies, and to diſtreſs our Enemies; building much on the great Harmony ſubſiſting betwixt the King and them at this Juncture. Merchants and Agents in the City are for ſelling Ships and Cargoes forthwith. Brokers for entering, weighing, valuing, and diſpoſing of the Sugars, Indigos, &c. &c. with all poſſible Speed. The Sailors are impatient to break Bulk, that they may know and diſpoſe of their Shares. Some Coffee-Houſes are at Times in great Joy, at other Times all a mort, according as War or Peace prevails in Change Alley. But they hope in all Caſes that the Goods will be ſold here, either by us or the French.

The Amiable Roſe, from Canada for Rochelle, and the Colombe, from Oporto, for Bourdeaux, are ſent into Portſmouth.

November 22. The Amiable Margaretta, from Gaſpie for Bourdeaux, the Aſſurance, the Pucelle, and the Ceres, from Newfoundland for St. Malo's; the Subtle, from St. Domingo for Bourdeaux, and the Eſperance, from Newfoundland for Honfleur, are ſent into Portſmouth.

A French Ship for St. Domingo is taken by the Windſor Man of War, and ſent into the Downs.

And a large Ship from St. Domingo, taken by the Savage Sloop, is ſent into Plymouth; and a Ship from Newfoundland is ſent in there by the Northumberland.

It is reported that Admiral Weſt's Squadron has taken a French Frigate of 20 Guns.

On Tueſday Night a large French Ship was brought into the Downs by the Diſpatch Sloop.

The Phœnix paſs'd by Malaga the 27th of October for Gibraltar with ſixteen or ſeventeen Engliſh Veſſels under Convoy, and ſeven French Veſſels ſhe had taken to the Eaſtward.

We are favour'd with Accounts from different Parts of England, correſponding with thoſe received from Portſmouth, Ireland, and other Places, relating to the very uncommon Phœnomenon lately obſerved in the Water; particularly from ſome Parts of Wiltſhire and Surry: In the latter County, near Godalmin, the Agitation of a Canal in a Gentleman's Garden was very ſingular; it ſuddenly aroſe ſo high, as to overflow the Bank on one Side, then ſubſided, and immediately overflowed the Bank on the other Side. The Gardener, who happened to be near the Spot, not a little ſurprized at ſo ſtrange a Circumſtance, ran into the Houſe for inſtant Aſſiſtance, imagining a Number of Otters were got into the Canal, and were deſtroying the Fiſh.——*The Learned ſeem to be much at a Loſs to account for this new Appearance in Nature. It is apprehended by many to be a Kind of Earthquake, moving the Earth in the Manner of the diurnal Motion, which, though not felt by us, may nevertheleſs violently agitate the Water, as has been deſcribed.*

St. James's, Nov. 20. His Majeſty has been pleaſed to appoint the Right Hon. Henry Fox, Eſq; to be one of his Principal Secretaries of State, the Oath of Secretary of State was this Day adminiſtred to him in Council.

Whitehall, November 22. The King has been pleaſed to appoint his Grace Thomas Holles, Duke of Newcaſtle, Knight of the moſt Noble Order of the Garter, the Right Hon. Henry Earl of Darlington, the Right Hon. Sir George Lyttleton, Bart. Thomas Hay, Eſq; commonly called Lord Viſcount Dupplin, and Robert Nugent, Eſq; to be Commiſſioners for executing the Office of Treaſurer of his Majeſty's Exchequer.

The King has been pleaſed to appoint Thomas Dunbar, Eſq; Lieutenant Governor of Gibraltar; Robert Elliſon, Eſq; Colonel of the 44th Regiment, late Sir Peter Halket's; Daniel Webb, Eſq; Colonel of the 48th Regiment, late Dunbar's.

We hear that Sir WILLIAM JOHNSON, lately created a Baronet, will alſo be inſtalled a Knight of the Bath at the next Promotion.

Extract of a Letter from Portſmouth, Nov. 17.

" *The Royal William of* 100 *Guns is ordered to be fitted for Sea, and when her Upper Deck is taken off, 'tis thought ſhe will be the fineſt Ship in the Navy, as ſhe will carry* 85 *Guns on two Decks. This Ship is* 36 *Years old and was never out of this Port.*

" *The Royal George and Duke, both fitted to receive preſſed Men, are alſo ordered to be fitted for Channel Service.*

" *Friday ended the Court Martial on Board the Prince George, Admiral Oſborn, Preſident, on the Lieutenant who fired into the Merchantman, and killed three Men; when he was acquitted.*

" *Seven French Priſoners ſeized a Boat at Goſport, and went to Sea in the Night, but have not been heard of; it is thought they are all drowned.*

" *Friday Evening arrived at St. Helen's the Monarch, Admiral Moyſton, and the Somerſet, Capt. Geary; and on Saturday arrived Admirals Boſcawen and Holbourn, in the Torbay and Terrible, with the Lys, Capt. Suckling; the Yarmouth, Capt. Norris; the Chicheſter, Capt. John Brett; Grafton, Capt. Holmes; Nottingham, Capt. Marſhall; Dunkirk, Capt. How; Auguſta, Capt. Willett.——The Alcide is left at Halifax.*

KINGSTON, in Jamaica, December 11.

Orders are arrived for all the Men of War in this Iſland immediately to refit and put to Sea, ſome to join the Commodore, who is now out reducing the Neutral Iſlands, and others to cruize off and on the French Ports, with ſtrict Injunctions to ſeize all the French Veſſels they meet with, and to diſtreſs as much as lies in their Power the Inhabitants of the French Iſlands.

BOSTON, *January* 19.

About five o'Clock laſt Tueſday Morning, a Fire broke out in an Houſe in Cole Lane, and was got to ſuch a Head before it was diſcovered, and Help could come to extinguiſh it, that it conſumed that and ſeveral other Tenements adjoining, all but the Outſides, which were of Brick, with a great deal of valuable Houſhold Furniture, Plate, &c. A poor Woman who lodged in an upper Room of the Houſe where the Fire firſt began, was burnt to Death, and ſeveral other Perſons narrowly eſcaped with their Lives.

January 26. We have Advice from Northampton, that ſeveral Tracks of Indians have lately been diſcovered on the Weſtern Frontiers; ſo that we may ſoon expect to hear of Miſchief done by thoſe Wolves of the Wilderneſs.

By a Letter from the Weſt-Indies, dated December 19th paſt, we are informed, that on the 20th of November they had a very ſevere Shock of an Earthquake at Nevis and St. Chriſtophers, at two o'Clock in the Morning; but the Writer ſays, he had not then heard how it fared at the neighbouring Iſlands.

NEW-YORK, *February* 2.

Part of a Letter from Captain Bowers, twelve Miles above the Forks of Delaware.

——" I am ſorry to inform you, that on Sunday the 18th of January, one Pimb was going to remove his Goods, and muſtered a few of his Moravian Brethren to help him to bring them down from a Place called the Wind Gap: The Indians Way-laid the Company, and killed 15 on the Spot, one being wounded in the Leg made his Eſcape. The Place where this melancholy Accident happened, is 18 Miles Weſt from me, which Part as well as all the adjacent Country is all laid waſte by a cruel and mercileſs Enemy, neither do I know what this Part of the Country will do, unleſs they raiſe a ſufficient Force to purſue theſe Savages, even to their Towns, to which Party I, and the Forty I command, would willingly join. I am, &c.

PHILADELPHIA, *February* 5.

BENJAMIN FRANKLIN, Eſq; and all with him at Fort Allen, were well on Saturday laſt.

Extract of a Letter from Carliſle, January 29.

" This Afternoon came to Town, a Man that lived on Juniata, who in his Journey this Way, called at the Houſe where the Woolcomber lived, about ten Miles from this Place, and ſaw at his Door a Bed-tick, and going into the Houſe, found a Child lying dead and ſcalped. This alarmed us much, and while we were conſulting what to do, we received the Incloſed, which puts it paſt all Doubt, that the Enemy intend to attack either Shearman's Valley or this Place. We thought it neceſſary to acquaint you as ſoon as poſſible, not only to hurry you home, but, if thought needful, that the People of York might ſend over ſome Aid."

Extract

Extract of a Letter from Paterſon's Fort, on Juniata, January 28.

"This ſerves to inform you, that Yeſterday, ſome Time in the Afternoon, one Adam Nicholſon and his Wife were killed and ſcalped, and his Daughter and two Sons made Priſoners; that the Wife and two Children of James Armſtrong were alſo made Priſoners; and William Willock and Wife killed and ſcalped, and five Children carried off by the Indians; in all fifteen People killed and taken. I was this Day with our Captain at the Places of the abovementioned, where we ſaw three of the dead People, and the Houſes burnt to Aſhes. I deſire you would tell Ben Killgore and his Brother to hurry over, and all the Boys belonging to our Company to come in a Body, and that you may be upon your Guard; for all the Indians, except two that went with the Priſoners, croſſed over Juniata towards your Settlement. There is a large Body of them, as we ſuppoſe, from their Tracks.

N. B. The above Miſchief was done within three ſhort Miles of the Fort, down the Creek. Juſt now a Man came to the Fort, and informed us, that Hugh Mitcheltree's Wife, and another Son of Nicholſon's, were alſo murdered. There are no more miſſing in this Neighbourhood at preſent."

On Monday laſt one Jehu Jenkin, of Vincent Townſhip, Cheſter County, was committed to the Jail of this City, for the Murder of John Bowen.

Extract of a Letter from Eaſton, January 30.

"Laſt Friday a Party of Capt. John Van Etten's Men fell in with a Party of Indians in Upper Smithfield, and killed and ſcalped two of them, and have good Reaſon to believe they wounded four or five mortally. They got a Booty of two Guns, one of which a Riffle, the other a ſmooth bored French Gun; a fine large Hatchet, and three Match-coats. One of the ſlain Indians is thought to be the famous Captain Jacobs. None of our People has received any Hurt."

ANNAPOLIS, *February* 19.

Tueſday laſt being the Birth Day of the Right Hon. the Lord BALTIMORE, his Excellency our Governor at Noon gave a very Elegant Entertainment at his own Houſe, to a great Number of Gentlemen and Ladies: And in the Evening a Public BALL in the Council Houſe, where was a charming Appearance of Ladies, and a great many Gentlemen.

The General Aſſembly of this Province are to meet here To-morrow.

About the 5th of this Month, the Body of a drowned Man was found on *Pool's Iſland*. He had a coarſe Coat and Jacket, Buckſkin Breeches, Shoes which had been ſoled and the Heels full of Nails, two Pair of Stockings, and a Stock tied behind his Neck. In one Pocket he had 14 Bullets for a Riffle and ſome Powder tied in a Handkerchief, and ſome Bread and Meat in an other Pocket.

Calvert County, *February* 16, 1756.

Mr. GREEN,

YOUR Correſpondents *BOB HINT* and *SOMEBODY*, might have amuſed themſelves with their ingenious Queries without any Animadverſions from me, had not the Zeal of the latter betrayed him into ſome Reflections on the Merchants in our Trade which they do not deſerve. Were I to aſk whether Capt. *L*-- clear'd out for *Antigua*, to furniſh an Occaſion of inſinuating to their Friends, that they had been neglected by the Merchants, ſuch an invidious Queſtion wou'd be juſtly reſented; but has not the Conduct of SOMEBODY given as much Cauſe to ſuſpect ſuch a Deſign, as that of the Merchants, to charge them with having neglected their Correſpondents?

What Elegance of Stile or Delicacy of Taſte may be neceſſary to embelliſh a Queſtion, I ſhall leave to the Critics in that Sort of Compoſition, it being my Purpoſe to trouble you with a few plain Queſtions upon the reaſoning Part of SOMEBODY's Letter.

"*It can't be ſuppos'd*, ſays he, *by any reaſonable Man, "that Capt. L-- (for the Maſter is reduc'd to an Inſtance) "clear'd out for* Antigua *to prevent our having Intelligence "from our Correſpondents in* England, *when public Notice was "given, ſix Weeks before, that the Monthly Packet wou'd "ſail for* New-York, *and it was alſo publicly known, that a "Ship would ſail for* Virginia, *and no Gentleman therefore "can, in Juſtice, blame any Body beſides their Correſpondents.*"

This is the Sum of his Reaſoning: But let me aſk, whether the Merchants have *generally* correſponded with their Friends by Way of *New-York*, or *Virginia*? Was not the Motive in clearing out Capt. *L*-- for *Antigua*, to prevent their Knowledge, that he was intended for *Maryland*? Was there not a Deſign of gaining ſome Advantage from that Circumſtance? Was there not an actual Concealment of his real Deſtination? Had the Merchants then any *peculiar* Inducement *in this Inſtance*, to alter their uſual Method of Correſpondence? Had the Merchants ſent their Letters, Accounts of Sales, &c. by the Packet, who wou'd have paid for the Conveyance and Poſtage to, and from *New-York*? Moreover, might not Capt. *L*--'s O----r, if he entertain'd a Deſign of making the Advantage hinted, and even thought it might be ſuſpected, hope to accompliſh his Purpoſe before any Letters cou'd, probably, be receiv'd by the Way of *New-York*, conſidering the uſual Severity of the Seaſon, when it might be expected the Packet wou'd arrive there, and the unfrequent Communication by the Winter's Poſt, or by the Way of *Virginia*, by a Ship which ſail'd *ſince* Capt. *L*--?

If the Conduct of Capt. *L*--'s O---r may be juſtify'd, might not the Conduct of *any other* Merchant, acting in the *ſame* Manner, be alſo juſtify'd by the *ſame* Reaſoning, and ſhou'd *every* other Merchant follow *his* Example, would not a Correſpondence by the Way of *New-York*, or *Virginia*, occaſion an heavy Expence to the Country, as well as be very precarious, and inconvenient?

It is acknowledg'd that Capt. *L*-- was ordered out by Somebody on his own Account and Riſque (ſo far, I believe, there is nothing uncommon in the Affair) to be ſent away in a PRIVATE MANNER, tho' not *with the moſt diſtant* Intention to prevent the Tranſmiſſion of Letters. Mere Aſſertion is *ſeldom* allow'd to have *much* Weight in Controverſy, even when it is *direct*, and *ſeldomer* when it is *evaſive*, nor ought it to be expected that an ambiguous, or obſcure Intimation will be Satisfactory, when a Vindication is profeſſedly undertaken. *In this* what is not, it will be ſuppos'd, can't be explain'd.

As I really have not had an Univerſity-Education, or been dubb'd a Maſter of Arts, I hope SOMEBODY will not be ſo unmerciful in his Criticiſm as to *republiſh* my Letter *by Way of Remark*, or if he will do ſo, that he will let me ſpeak my own Senſe, or Nonſenſe, and not give me the facetious Nickname of Mr. *Abraham*, when I ſubſcribe myſelf,

A. B.

P. S. Perhaps SOMEBODY can inform us, how it happen'd that Capt. *Lee*, beſides the *Letters and Accounts of Sales* from Mr. *John Buchanan*, brought *Letters* only from Meſſrs. *Greve* and *Philpot*, and whether theſe Gentlemen had *Leave* to ſend their Letters, or uſed *any Stratagem* to get them convey'd, and to whom they were addreſs'd.

Annapolis, February 18, 1756.

NOTICE is hereby given, That the Subſcriber will give conſtant Attendance, at his Office in *Annapolis*, every Wedneſday and Thurſday, before the Tenth of *April* next, to receive all Money due from the Inhabitants of this County for Public Levies. And as he has farmed his Lordſhips Quit-Rents for this County, he is in Hopes every Perſon concerned will take Care to make punctual Payments, agreeable to the Times mentioned in their Patents (which are the 25th of *March* and 29th of *September* yearly), as it will prevent Trouble (as well as Expence) to themſelves and

Their moſt humble Servant,
JOHN RAITT, Sheriff
of *Anne-Arundel* County.

Baltimore County Goal, *November* 14, 1755.

NOTICE is hereby given, That the Subſcribers having been for three Years paſt confin'd in ſaid Goal for Debt, and not having Effects, nor capable by any Means whatever, to ſatisfy the juſt Claims of their Creditors, intend to apply to the next General Aſſembly of this Province for Relief.

ADAM GOUGH,
PATRICK CARROLL.

1 mo.

THERE is at the Plantation of *Hugh Willſon*, near the *Eaſtern-Branch* Ferry, in *Prince-George's* County, taken up as a Stray, a dark colour'd Roan Horſe, near 14 Hands high, branded on the near Buttock with C, and had on a ſmall Bell with the Letters IO on it.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges. 1 mo.

Marlborough, February 16, 1756.

STOLEN from the Subſcriber's Plantation, near the *Wood-Yard*, in the Night of Sunday the 8th Inſtant, a Roan Mare about 13 Hands high, branded on the near Buttock and other Places with an H, has a Blaze Face and two Lumps on the Ridge of her Back, ſhe is heavy with Foal. It is ſuppoſed ſhe was ſtolen by a Runaway who was at the Plantation about Midnight and enquired the Way to *St. Mary's* County, he was a tall middle-aged Fellow, had a Felt Hat and Worſted Cap, an Oſnabrigs Shirt, brown Waiſtcoat, Leather Breeches, and blue Leggings.

Alſo on Saturday the 14th, was ſtolen from the ſame Plantation, a black Mare about 13¼ Hands high, branded IG on the near Buttock, E on the near Shoulder, and a Heart on the near Side of her Neck, ſhe is likewiſe with Foal; there is a poor little tired One left: A few Hours after ſhe was ſtolen, a tall Mulatto Fellow was ſeen riding her by Mr. *Ignatius Digges's*, towards *Marlborough*; he had on her a Bag and Wallet full of ſomething that had the Appearance of Goods, and it is ſuppoſed has broke ſome Store on *Patowmack*, and is making off with the Goods.

Any Perſon that will bring either of the ſaid Mares to the Subſcriber, ſhall have Ten Shillings Reward for each, and Thirty Shillings more for each of the Fellons, if either of them can be taken and convict.

J. HEPBURN.

1 mo.

THIS is to give Notice, That if any young LADIES or GENTLEMEN are willing to learn the *French* Language, the Subſcriber will wait on them Thrice a Week, at their Houſes, where he will teach them on the moſt moderate and reaſonable Terms, and in the eaſieſt and moſt conciſe Manner. WILLIAM CLAJON. 2

THERE is at the Plantation of *Abraham Birckhead*, near the Head of *Severn*, taken up as a Stray, a Dark Bay Mare, with a Saddle Spots on the near Side of her Back, about 13 Hands high, paces a little, was ſhod before, and has a white Spot on her right Shoulder, but no perceiveable Brand. 1 mo.

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

Oxford, February 9, 1756.

To be SOLD, at Oxford, *on reaſonable Terms, for Bills, Current Money, Tobacco, Wheat, Corn, and ſhort Credit*,

THE Stock in Trade of *Richard Gildart*, Eſq; and SONS, of *Liverpool*, Merchants. All Perſons inclin'd to purchaſe are deſired ſoon to apply to the Subſcriber, who intends for *England* early in the next Summer, and gives this public Notice to all thoſe who have any Demands on the ſaid Company, or himſelf, or are in Arrears to either, that they may come and ſettle their reſpective Accounts, and avoid further Trouble to themſelves, and THOMAS BREERETON. 2

THERE have been lately ſtolen out of the Houſe where Mr. *William Peele* lived, at *London-Town*, nine or ten Window-Saſhes, with the Panes of Glaſs in them, and alſo ſeveral Hinges and Locks from the Doors. Whoever will diſcover thoſe who ſtole the Window-Saſhes, ſhall have Five Pounds Reward; and for the Diſcovery of thoſe who ſtole the Locks and Hinges, Twenty Shillings; to be paid on the Conviction of the Offenders, by

JAMES DICK,
JAMES MOUAT,
JAMES NICHOLSON, } Executors. 2

N. B. There is ſome Reaſon to ſuſpect they were ſtolen by ſome Boat-men from the *Eaſtern-Shore*.

To be Sold to the higheſt Bidder, on Wedneſday the 25th Day of February *Inſtant, at the Store of Mr.* James Dick, *in* Annapolis, *at* 12 *o'Clock*,

A LOT of Ground in *Annapolis*, N°. L, on which is an old Houſe, with two Brick Chimneys, lately belonging to the Eſtate of *William Peele*, deceaſed. 2

JAMES DICK,
JAMES MOUAT,
JAMES NICHOLSON, } Executors.

AMOS FOGG,

Lately removed to the noted RED HOUSE on the Road between Baltimore-Town *and* Joppa,

HAVING ſupplied himſelf with all Sorts of good Liquors, and every other Neceſſary, keeps TAVERN; and all Gentlemen Travellers may there depend on good Uſage and Entertainment, for themſelves, and Horſes, 2

From their humble Servant,
AMOS FOGG.

WILLIAM WILLETT, PEWTERER,

LIVING about two Miles from *Upper-Marlborough*, on the *Bladenſburg* Road, New moulds old Pewter at 9*d. per* Pound, or will return one half good new Pewter for any Quantity of old, and to be caſt in whatever Form the Employer pleaſes, either flat or ſoup Diſhes, or flat or ſoup Plates.

N. B. He will wait on any Employer within 20 or 30 Miles, to receive their old, or return their new Pewter. And they may depend on being faithfully and honeſtly dealt by, by

Their humble Servant,
WILLIAM WILLETT.

THERE is at the Plantation of *Thomas Kirk*, near the *Sugar Loaf Mountain*, in *Frederick* County, taken up as a Stray, a middle-ſiz'd Iron-Grey Horſe, branded on the near Shoulder and Thigh A D, and on the off Shoulder T, and on the off Thigh W.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

THERE

THERE are at the Plantation of *Alexander Falconar*, in *Prince-George's* County, taken up as Strays, the following Creatures, *viz.*

A dark Dun colour'd Mare, branded on the near Buttock with ſomething like a C, her left Eye is out; ſhe has a dark colour'd Colt belonging to her, that is neither branded nor docked.

A ſmall Bay Mare, with a ſmall Blotch on her near Buttock, undock'd.

A ſmall dark Bay Mare, appears to be about three Years old, but neither branded nor docked.

The Owners may have them again, on proving their Property, and paying Charges.

THERE is in the Poſſeſſion of *Edward Banneſter*, living on *Bennett's-Creek*, in *Frederick* County, taken up as a Stray, a ſmall dark Bay Mare, the off Side of her Face is white, has Glaſs Eyes, and a Bit out of her near Ear, four white Feet, and is branded on one of her Buttocks thus ( ).

The Owner may have her again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

THERE is at the Plantation of *Luke Windſor*, in *Prince-George's* County, near *Bladenſburg*, taken up as a Stray, a black Horſe, about 13 Hands and a Half high, has a ſmall Blaze in his Face, one hind Foot white, and is branded with I T.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

THERE is at the Plantation of *Samuel Norwood*, in *Baltimore* County, near *Patapſco* Ferry, taken up as a Stray, a low well-ſet white Gelding, he has loſt one Eye, is branded on the near Buttock with HHP (joined in one), but the fore Part of the Brand appears very imperfect and hard to be made out, as does the Part making the Top of the P.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

February 5, 1756.

For MADEIRA,

The good Brigantine Grove,
WELLS WARING,
Maſter,

WILL ſail in about three Weeks.

Thoſe Gentlemen who want to be accommodated with Freight from thence, are deſired to apply to the ſaid Maſter on board, in *Saſſafras* River, or to Mr. *Daniel Wolſtenholme*, Merchant, in *Annapolis*.

January 22, 1755.

RAN away from the Subſcribers, living in *Charles* County, on the 12th of this Inſtant, a Convict Servant Man, named *George Graham*, alias *Thomas Clunis*, about 6 Feet 1 or 2 Inches high, a *Scotchman* born; he is a thin pale faced Fellow, with grey Eyes, and has a down villainous Look. He had on when he went away, a Drab colour'd Cloth Coat, with Metal Buttons, not lined, a black Bombazeen Veſt and a Dimothy one, a black Pair of Breeches, a Pair of Shoe-Boots, a fine Hat, Shirts and Stockings, and a Que Wig. He underſtands the Exerciſe with the Firelock, and pretends to teach Fencing; he boaſts much, but is a great Coward. He ſtole and carried with him, a light Bay Horſe, with a bald Face, and three white Feet, branded with the Letter E on the near Buttock; a Saddle with a fringed Houſing and Braſs Stirrups; and a ſmall Pair of ſcrewed rifled barrell'd Piſtols, with two Braſs Rings round each Barrel.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Servant, and ſecures him in any Goal in *Maryland*, ſhall have EIGHT PISTOLES; if taken in *Pennſylvania* or the *Jerſeys*, TEN PISTOLES; if taken in *New-York*, or any of the other Northern Governments, TWELVE PISTOLES, and all reaſonable Charges, paid by

JOHN JORDAN,
HUGH MITCHELL,
ALEX. LOTHIAN.

THERE were left at the Houſe of *John Zachariah Allen*, at *Pig-Point*, a Box, N°. 1. mark'd IME, join'd in one, included within a Diamond, containing three Hats; and a Paper Parcel, mark'd ME, join'd in one, containing two Pieces of Chilloes. They were imported in the *Molly*, Capt. *Curling*, laſt Spring.

The Owner may have them, on proving his Property, and paying the Charge of this Advertiſement.

THERE is in the Poſſeſſion of *Peter Heartſhock*, living on his Lordſhip's Manor, at *Manockaſy*, in *Frederick* County, taken up as a Stray, a large Bay Gelding, with a Star in his Forehead, has a ſhort bob Tail, is ſhod before, and branded on the near Shoulder with NB, has ſome ſmall white Spots on his Back, a white Streak the right Side of his Tail, and a ſmall Bell with a Leather Collar, twice round his Neck, buckled.

The Owner may have him again, on proving his Property, and paying Charges.

TO BE SOLD,

THE Time of a Servant Woman, who has about 5 Years to ſerve, was brought up in the Country of *England*, and underſtands knitting, ſpinning, ſewing, reading and writing.

For Terms apply to the Printer hereof. 4

Annapolis, January 10, 1756.

EIGHTEEN POUNDS REWARD.

RAN away from the Subſcribers, laſt Night, the following Servants, *viz.*

Robert Pearce, a Convict, belonging to *Patrick Creagh*, a Ship-Carpenter by Trade, aged about 30 Years, a tall thin Man, with a large Scar down his left Leg, and a Scar in his Face. He had on when he went away, a brown Wig, a Country Cloth Waiſtcoat, Cotton Breeches, Country Stockings and Shoes, and an Oſnabrigs Shirt.

Henry Dallamore, an Indented Servant, belonging to the ſaid *Creagh*, a Caulker by Trade, a ſhort well-made Man, of a freſh Complexion and black Beard. He had on and with him, a brown Wig, a grey Coat with white Metal Buttons, black Waiſtcoat and Breeches, a black Watch-Coat, an Oſnabrigs and a white Shirt, and Oſnabrigs Trowſers.

William Acton, a Convict, belonging to *Gamaliel Butler*, a Joyner by Trade, about 5 Feet 3 or 4 Inches high, well made, about 28 Years of Age, has a Scar in one of his Lips, has loſt ſome of his fore Teeth, and was born in *England*. He had on when he went away, a green Waiſtcoat without Sleeves, a dark colour'd Frock, Country Shoes and Stockings, a Pair of Leather Breeches, a Felt Hat, and ſhort brown Hair.

They have with them ſeveral other Cloaths, and a Cheſt of Carpenter's and Caulker's Tools. They went away in a Yaul, belonging to the ſaid *Creagh*, with a white Bottom, her upper Works painted red, two Sprit Sails, a Rudder and Tiller, and two Pair of Oars.

Whoever takes up the ſaid Servants and Yaul, or any of them, and ſecures them ſo that their Maſters may have them again, ſhall have Five Pounds Current Money for each of the Servants, and Three Pounds like Money for the Yaul, and reaſonable Charges allowed them if brought home.

6 PATRICK CREAGH,
GAMALIEL BUTLER.

N. B. There are two Servants who are ſuſpected to have gone with them, *viz. Thomas Griffin*, belonging to *Stephen Bordley*, Eſq; a Bricklayer by Trade, a young thin Man; and the other *Solomon Tapling*, belonging to *George Steuart*, Eſq; a tall thin Fellow who calls himſelf a Vintner and Cook, he is a good Scholar, and may forge a Paſs for himſelf and the others.

They may change their Names and ſeparate.

COMMITTED to the Sheriff of *Anne-Arundel* County, on Suſpicion of being a Runaway, one *James Rowell*, who ſays he belongs to Mr. *Joſeph Harriſon*, of *Nanjemoy*; he is about 5 Feet high.

His Maſter may have him again, on proving his Property, paying the Fees, and the Charge of this Advertiſement. 6 JOHN RAITT.

To be SOLD *for Bills of Exchange, or Sterling Money*,

A TRACT of Land containing 190 Acres, lying on the *South* Side of *Magothy* River, ſituated very pleaſant and convenient for Fiſhing and Fowling, and within 5 Miles of *Annapolis*, whereon is a good Dwelling-Houſe, Kitchen, Meat-Houſe, a Negro Quarter, two Corn-Houſes, a Garden, well-paled in, and two Orchards.

Alſo a young Negro Wench, a Negro Girl, and a Negro Boy.

For Terms apply to the Printer hereof.

WANTS a Place, either in a School or in a Gentleman's Family, a young Man well qualified for teaching Grammar and Arithmetic; Such a one may be heard of by enquiring of the Printer of this Paper.

In the SOUTH-CAROLINA GAZETTE, *publiſh'd at* Charles-Town *in* July, Auguſt, *and* September, *there was printed the following Advertiſement, wherein is offer'd One Thouſand Pounds their Currency (which is about One Hundred and Forty Pounds Sterling) for apprehending the Murderer therein mentioned, and it publiſhed in this Paper, and it is hop'd will be likewiſe publiſhed in every other Public Paper on the Continent, that the Offender may be brought to Juſtice*, viz.

WHEREAS *John Toomer* (who on the 3d Day of *March*, 1754, committed a moſt barbarous Murder on the Body of *William Butler*, near *Charles-Town*, in *South-Carolina*), hath not yet been apprehended and brought to Juſtice. I therefore hereby promiſe and engage to pay, to any Perſon or Perſons that will take and deliver the ſaid *John Toomer* into the Cuſtody of the Provoſt-Marſhal of *South-Carolina*, the Sum of ONE THOUSAND POUNDS Current Money as a Reward.

The ſaid *John Toomer* is about 29 Years of Age, 6 Feet high or thereabouts, and well made, his Hair red, Complexion ruddy, and the Fingers of his left Hand cramp'd. ELIZABETH YONGE.

TO BE SOLD,

For Sterling Money, good Bills of Exchange, Gold, Silver, or Paper Currency,

THE following Tracts and Parcels of Land, *viz.*

Rover's Content,	466	Acres.
Part of *The Incloſure*,	89	
Part of *Goodluck*,	445	
Fife, - - -	78	
Beall's Chance,	290	
Father's Gift,	183	
Bread and Cheeſe Hall,	91	

Theſe are all, adjoining, and make a Body of choice well timbered Land, whereon are Three Plantations, with good Orchards, lying in *Prince George's* County, within five Miles of *Bladenſburg*, ten of *Upper-Marlborough*, and ſix of the *Eaſtern Branch* Ferry.

Coupper,	113	Acres.
Part of *Laybill*,	649	
Beall's Reſerve,	380	
Drumeldry,	225	

The Four laſt mentioned lie in *Beall's Neck*, in *Frederick* County, not above twelve Miles from *Bladenſburg*, being a choice Parcel of fine Wood-Land.

Alſo 459 Acres of Land, being Part of a Tract called *Alliſon's Park*, lying likewiſe in *Frederick* County, on or near a Branch, called and known, by the Name of *Captain John's Branch*.

Any Perſon inclinable to purchaſe Part of the firſt mentioned ſeven Tracts, lying in *Prince George's* County, may have the Quantity deſired, provided it be taken ſo as not to incommode the remaining Part, to render it unſerviceable, or prejudice the Sale thereof; and likewiſe, any Part of the ſeveral Tracts, in *Frederick* County, in like Manner.

The Title and Terms may be known, by applying to the Subſcriber, or to *Joſias Beall*, junior, living on *Ackokick*, near *Piſcataway*, in *Prince-George's* County. JOHN BEALL, junior.

N. B. Time will be given for the Payment of Part, on good Security, if required.

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